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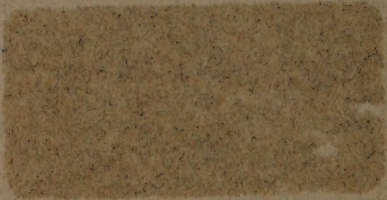
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CATALOGUE OF COLOUR PRINTS

By UTAGAWA TOYOKUNI I

I. BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

UTAGAWA ICHİYŌSAI TOYOKUNI was one of the most skilful and best known of the Japanese makers of colour prints; and his work possesses an individuality which especially entitles it to a degree of separate consideration.

He was born in the year 1769; his father, Gorobei Kurahashi, being a carver of wooden images, Buddhistic and theatrical, of some local reputation. His artistic style was founded, in the first instance, on that of the painter Hanabusa Ichō; but he afterwards studied under Toyoharu (from whom he received the name Toyokuni), Gyokuzan Ishida and Shunyei; and it is from these latter artists that he derived some noticeable characteristics of the style which he himself developed. The whole of his life was passed at Yedo (the modern Tōkyō); where he died on the seventh day of the first month of the year Bunsei 8 (A.D. 1825), in his fifty-seventh year, and was buried in the grounds of the Shrine of Myōken, Yanagashima, where a memorial was erected to him three years afterwards, by pupils and admirers, and several hundreds of his drawings or brushes (as in another account) buried.

Toyokuni's earlier prints are often in the manners popularised by Utamaro, Shunchō and Yeishi. These he was able easily to rival, and, as a matter of fact, is known to have imitated. But his special distinction lies, not in his prints of beautiful women, but in that magnificent series of portraits of actors in character, of which the Museum is fortunate enough to possess an unusually complete and representative collection. In this class of work he was strongly influenced by Shunshō and probably by Sharaku. He was also an able and popular book illustrator; his first work of this kind having been produced in 1786, in his 18th year. And he had a great reputation as a designer of fan-prints.

The circumstances which gave rise to the production of these, and similar prints by other artists, are of peculiar interest. The lower classes of the Japanese had a passion for the drama; and the leading actors, as such, were idolized to an extraordinary extent. A great and

constant demand existed for their portraits, and for representations of scenes from the plays in which they appeared. This was met by such work as is herein catalogued—prints of the highest technical and artistic merit, but produced and sold at a trivial price to gratify the ever-changing desires of the multitude. In spite of their public popularity, the actors were socially despised. They ranked even below the colour print artists ; who, themselves, were accounted inferior to most other classes of skilled artizans ; and no member of the aristocratic, or of the military order, would ever have allowed himself to associate in private life with either.

In studying these prints of actors, it must be remembered that the representation of the faces conforms to a severe and limited convention ; there is little attempt at portrayal of the actual physiognomy of persons represented in character. But nothing (allowing for the limitations imposed by the technical process used) could be more realistic than the way in which Toyokuni sets forth the attitudes, the grouping, the make-up, and especially the dramatic spirit of the actors he was employed to paint. Another point to be allowed for is that female parts were invariably played by men. Among the prints in this collection will be found some depicting actors who had a special reputation for this faculty.

Care must be taken by students to distinguish between the work of Toyokuni I. and that of two men who succeeded to his name. One of these was Naogiro, an adopted son, whose earlier prints are signed Toyoshige. On the death of his master he married the widow of the latter, and henceforward used his name, generally with the addition Gosotei. He died in 1835. Another and better known pupil, Kunisada, took the name of Toyokuni in 1844, and often described himself as " the second Toyokuni " ; though, in point of date, he was the third artist to use the name. He died in 1864 at the age of 79. Examples have been noted by yet another and later artist, describing himself as " Toyokuni of the third generation " ; but his prints are of no importance.

The stories on which the plays were based have, nearly all, been related by Professor Anderson, in his catalogue of the Chinese and Japanese Paintings at the British Museum ; in the works of the late Lafcadio Hearn, or those of Lord Redesdale (Mr. A. B. Mitford), Messrs. Tomita and Lee, and Mr. H. Joly. An excellent illustrated description of the technique of colour-printing, by Mr. R. Tokuno, is published in the Report of the Smithsonian Institution, United States National Museum, for 1892 (page 221) ; a descriptive catalogue of an

exhibition of tools and materials used in this process has also been prepared for this Museum ; and the Museum Handbook on Japanese Colour Prints contains a full account (so far as at present known) of the School of Japanese artists to which Toyokuni belonged, and of his pupils and followers.

The prints referred to can be seen on application in the Students' Room (entrance in Room 71) of the Department of Engraving, Illustration and Design, at any time when the Museum is open, except on Sundays.

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II. CATALOGUE

FAMOUS ACTORS IN CHARACTER

The actor Bandō Mitsugorō.

($15\frac{3}{8} \times 10\frac{1}{8}$)

Publisher MURA.

E. 4804-'86.

Bandō Mitsugorō in the part of Watanabe no Tsuna, a hero of the 10th century, going to set up a placard on a lonely spot before the gate of Rashōmon, which place is visited every night by a demon.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4805-'86.

Bandō Mitsugorō in the part of Gofukuya (clothes-vendor) Jubei.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4806-'86.

Bandō Mitsugorō in the part of Fujiya Izayemon (a gallant).

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4807-'86.

Bandō Mitsugorō as the wrestler Akitsushima.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21367.

Publisher YAMAHEI.

Bandō Mitsugorō and Iwai Kumesaburō in the parts of Kichi and his mistress Oshichi.

($12 \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4808-'86.

The latter burnt her own house in order to have an opportunity of retiring to a monastery, where she had once enjoyed, under the same circumstances, a meeting with the former. She was burnt at the stake. A 17th century story.

Bandō Mitsugorō and another actor in the parts of Sasaki Tatewaki and his servant Yosuke.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4809-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

The actor Bandō Hikosaburō as Yuranosuke.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4810-'86.

Publisher KAWAGEN.

Bandō Hikosaburō as Kwanshōjō.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

21363.

Publisher SUDZU-I.

The actor Ichikawa Danjiurō as Yokko Sodesuke.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4811-'86.

Compare 21348 (page 9).

Theatrical parts lately played by the actor Ichikawa Danzō.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4812-'86.



IWAI KUMESABURŌ in the part of the murderess Koume, wife of Ume-no-Yoshibei. E. 4834-'86.

Ichikawa Danzō in the part of Banzui Chōbei and Iwai Hanshirō in that of his wife Asoki.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4813-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Danzō in the part of Taira no Tomonori and Ōnoyō Matsusuke (right) in that of Musashibō Benkei.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4814-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Danzō in the part of Banzui Chōbei and Iwai Hanshirō in that of Otoki, his wife.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4815-'86

Ichikawa Danzō and Matsumoto Kogō in the parts of Jiroyemon (right) and Takeichi Buyemoni (left).

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4816-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Danzō and Matsumoto Kogō in the scene of Kagekiyo being discovered in his attempt to assassinate Yoritomo.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4817-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Danzō and another actor in the parts of Oye Masahira and Otsuyu, a ferry-woman.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4818-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

The actor Ichikawa Komazō.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4819-'86.

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Ichikawa Komazō and another actor in the parts of Tanuya Gempachi, being beaten with his sandal by his friend Horiguchi Gentazayemon.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4820-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Komazō in the part of Ukiyo Tohei and Bandō Mitsugorō in that of Ashikaga Yorikane.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4821-'86.

Publisher UYEMURA.

Ichikawa Komazō and Bandō Mitsugorō in the parts of Ashikaga Yorikane with the ghost of the courtesan Takao whom he had murdered.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4822-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Komazō and Bandō Mitsugorō in the parts of Shume no Kokiugo, a knight, and Igami-no Gonta, a loafer.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4823-'86.

Publisher YEIJUDŌ.

Ichikawa Komazō and Bandō Mitsugorō in the parts of Oda Harunaga (Oda Nobunaga) beating his vassal Takechi (Akechi) Mitsuhide, who afterwards killed him. (1582 A.D.)

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4824-'86.

Ichikawa Komazō and Iwai Kumesaburō in the parts of Kameō and his wife.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4825-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Ichikawa Komazō and Iwai Kumesaburō in the parts of Hambei and his wife Ochiyo, characters in a tragedy.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4826-'86.

Ichikawa Komazō and Nakayama Tomisaburō in the parts of the lovers Shira Gompachi and Komurasaki.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4827-'86.

Ichikawa Komazō as Hanshichi and Nakayama Tomisaburō as the Geisha Sankatsu.

Working proof, parts having been touched with red by the artist. At the side, his note: "Please gradate the colour like this."

(15 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 10 $\frac{3}{8}$)

E. 3870-1911.

Ichikawa Komazō and Segawa Ronosuke in the parts of Torafuya Shobei and his wife.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4828-'86.

Printer UYEMURA.

The actor Ichikawa Omezō reciting his "Tsurane" (opening address) on the occasion of the new opening of Kawasaki Theatre in 1810.

(15 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 10 $\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4829-'86.

Ichikawa Omezō and Nakayama Tomisaburō in the parts of Asagao and Yuri-no-pachirō.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4830-'86.

Publisher IDZUICHI.

The actor Iwai Hanshirō in the part of Osaka, wife of Kizaemon.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4831-'86.

Iwai Hanshirō as Koman.

(14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4832-'86.

Publisher YAMACHŌ.

Iwai Hanshirō as Osaku.

(13 $\frac{5}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4916-'86.

Publisher YAMACHŌ.

Iwai Hanshirō as Gorō-Tokimune.

(14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

21366.



THEATRICAL SCENE. Tōtoki Denshichi, fighting with his Father's Murderer. E. 4840-'86.

Iwai Hanshirō as Agemaki, and Ichikawa Danjiurō as Sukeroku.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21346.

Iwai Hanshirō, an actor, and Kuriu Sayemon represented by Ichikawa Danjiurō. 2-sheet.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 10$)

21352.

Publisher TSURUYA.

Iwai Hanshirō, Iwai Kumesaburō, Ichikawa Dan-no-suke, in female parts. 3-sheet.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 10$)

E. 4833-'86.

Iwai Kumesaburō in the part of the murderess Ko-ume, wife of Ume-no-Yoshibeï.

PLATE I.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 4834-'86.

Publisher KAWAJU.

Iwai Kumesaburō in the part of Sogano-ni-nomiya, making violent love to Idzu-no-Jirō (played by Ichikawa Natsurō).

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4835-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Iwai Kumesaburō and Nakamura Noshiho (right) in female parts.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4836-'86.

The actors Matsumoto Kōgō (right) and Segawa Rokō (left).

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4837-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Matsumoto Kōshirō in the part of Kabutoya Bungorō.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4838-'86.

Shiratayū (right) represented by Matsumoto Kōshirō, and his master Kwan Shōjō riding on a bull, by Sawamura Gennosuke.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4839-'86.

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Actors representing Tōtoki Denshichi (with the sword) fighting with his father's murderer, Sachihoko Tenzō, a Corean interpreter, played by Matsumoto Kōshirō.

PLATE II.

($15\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4840-'86.

Printer YEIJU.

The actor Nakamura Utayemon as the Poetess Komachi. 1 of a set of 8.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4841-'86.

The actors Nakamura Utayemon and Nakamura Akashi in the Sambaso dance.

($9\frac{7}{8} \times 14\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 4842-'86.

Dated Bunkwa 9th, 9th month (A.D. 1812).

Nakamura Utayemon in the part of Saito Sanemori.

($15\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 4843-'86

Publisher YAMAKIU.

Nakayama Bunshichi in the part of Oniō Shinzayemon.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4844-'86.

Nakayama Bunshichi and Iwai Hanshirō in the parts of Yoshizane, a county-governor in Awa province, with Yukihirahime.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4845-'86.

Publisher HACHŌ.

Nakayama Tomisaburō and another actor in the parts of Shidsuka (right) and Tadanobu.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4846-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

The actor Onoye Matsusuke as a porter.

PLATE III.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21360.

Publisher SEN-ICHI.

Onoye Matsusuke as Sakuramaro.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21364.

Publisher YAMACHŌ.

Onoye Matsusuke in the character of the drama Dōguya Yokei.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4847-'86.

Onoye Matsusuke and Bandō Mitsugorō in the parts of Kudō Sayemon Suketsune and Soga no Gorō Tokimune (left), whose father was killed by Kudō. 13th century.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4848-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Onoye Matsusuke and Sawamura Tanosuke as Sano Jirozayemon and Skinzō Funabashi.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4849-'86.

Publisher YAMACHŌ.

Onoye Matsusuke as a girl, and Sawamura Tanosuke as a man on horseback. 2-sheet.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21341.

Onoye Matsusuke and Sawamura Tanosuke as Iwafuji and Onoye.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 5549-'86.

Publisher YAMACHŌ.

Onoye Matsusuke in the part of Kaji no Ochō, and Nakayama Tomisaburō in that of Oyaye, wife of Dembei.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4850-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.



ONOYE MATSUSUKE as a porter. 21360.

The actor Onoye Yeizaburō in the part of Sashichi, a toilet-dealer.
 (14 $\frac{3}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4851-'86.
 Publisher KAWAJU.

Onoye Yeizaburō and Bandō Mitsugorō in the parts of Asahina (on the left) and Soga-no-Jurō.
 (14 × 9 $\frac{1}{4}$) E. 4852-'86.

The actor Sawamura Gennosuke in the part of Kabutoya Hanjirō.
 (14 $\frac{3}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4853-'86.

Sawamura Gennosuke as Kwanjirō.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) 21365.

Sawamura Gennosuke as Rokusaburō.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) 21348.
 Compare E. 4811-'86 (*page 4*).

Sawamura Gennosuke as Kakuju.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4854-'86.
 Publisher KAWAGEN.

Sawamura Gennosuke as Tsukushi-no-Gonroku.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{5}{8}$) E. 4855-'86.
 Publisher YAMAHEI.

Portraits of the actors Sawamura Sōjiuro and Matsumoto Kōshirō.
 2 of a set.
 (14 × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4856, 4857-'86.

The actors Sawamura Tanosuke and Sawamura Gennosuke in a dance of courtiers.
 2-sheet.
 (13 $\frac{5}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) 21342.
 Publisher YAMAFUJI.

Sawamura Tanosuke as Orihime.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) 21359.

Sawamura Tanosuke in a female part.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) 21358.
 Publisher YAMACHŌ.

The actors Sawamura Gennojō and Sawamura Tanosuke as Hisatsugu and his maid-servant Takikawa.
 2-sheet.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4858-'86.

Segawa Kikunojō and another actor in the parts of Umeyoshihei and his wife.
 (14 $\frac{1}{8}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$) E. 4859-'86.
 Printer UYEMURA.

Segawa Kikunojō and another actor in the parts of Takao, and the wrestler, Sazanami Katsunosuke.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4860-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

An actor of female parts. From the verses accompanying, perhaps Segawa Kikunojō.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4861-'86.

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Scene from the "Chūshingura." Segawa and Kikunosuke and Ichikawa Danzō in the parts of Oboshi Yura-no-suke and Okaru, the wife of Kampei, in the tea-house.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4862-'86.

The actors Segawa Kikunosuke and Onoye Yeizaburō.

($12\frac{1}{2} \times 9$)

E. 4230-'97.

The actor Segawa Ronosuke in the part of Izayoi.

($15\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4863-'86.

The actor Segawa Senjio in a female part.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21362.

Segawa Senjio in the part of Shirotaye.

($15\frac{1}{4} \times 10$)

E. 4864-'86.

The actor Segawa Rokō as Hangira Otsu-ru.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21361.

Publisher YAMAFUJI.

Segawa Rokō as the Geisha, Kosan.

($14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

21349.

Publisher YEIJU.

Segawa Rokō in the part of a tea-house girl, Osaka.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4865-'86.

Segawa Rokō in the part of a blind man dancing, with a "biwa" on his back.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4866-'86.

Segawa Rokō in the part of a hero, and Matsumoto Kōshirō in that of a woman.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4867-'86.

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Segawa Rokō in the part of Oyasu, wife of Kameo.

($14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4868-'86

Publisher TSUTAYA.



WATCHING THE FIREWORKS from Ryogōku Bridge. E. 4900-'86.

The actors Segawa Rokō and Sawamura Gennosuke as Kosan and Kanaya Kingorō. 2-sheet.

($14\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$)

21340.

Publisher MANKI. The difference in the two signatures of the artist is interesting.

The actors Segawa Rosaburō (right) and Sawamura Gennosuke (left).

($14\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 4869-'86.

Publisher IDZUICHI.

THEATRICAL SCENES, ETC.

Yedzu Yakusha Sangaikyō. Three stories of the pleasant Theatre. By Shikitei Sanba. Illustrated by Utagawa Toyokuni (I.). Title-page and 22 colour prints. 2 vols. (9×6) Yedo, Kwansei 13, 1st month (A.D. 1800). E. 3530-'97.

Lit. "three storied recreation," a punning allusion to the three-storied theatrical building, and the Three Realms of Existence of the Buddhists, viz. : Past, Present, and Future. Publishers YORODZUYA and NISHINOMIYA.

—Another copy (imperfect). 10 colour prints in album.

($7\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$) Yedo. n.d.

E. 4304-4313-'97.

Yakusha-no-fūzoku. Illustrations of theatrical life. A set of 19 prints, in album.

($8 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 1469-1487-1900.

In the album containing the above are inserted two specimens of fine calligraphy, poems in the hand-writing of TAKATSUKASA KANEHIRO, and HIGASHIZONO MOTOKADZU, Court nobles of c. 1704 A.D.

Interior of a Theatre during the representation of the play "Soga monogatari." Yoritomo above, Kajiware next him, Three daimyō, Kudō on a seat, the Soga brothers to the left, and Asahina to the further left. 3-sheet.

($15\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 365-'90.

Publisher YEIJU.

Interior of a Theatre during the performance of a play. 3-sheet (1 missing).

(15×10)

E. 4870-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Theatre programme.

($14\frac{1}{2} \times 10$)

E. 4871-'86.

Theatre programme of Matsumura Shikayemon.

($14\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$)

E. 4872-'86.

A Scene from each of the 12 acts of the Drama "Chūshingura" (the Story of the 47 Rōnin) 6 sheets (2 scenes on each).

(13 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 8 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4873-4878-'86.

Act I. Moronō giving a love-letter to Kaoyo, wife of Enya.

Act II. Honzō cutting off a branch of a pine-tree while inciting his master Wakasanosuke to quarrel with Moronō. E. 4873-'86.

Act III. Sagisaka Bannei mocking at Kampei and Okaru.

Act IV. Oboshi Yuranosuke holding the dirk with which Enya has killed himself and Rikiya his son. E. 4874-'86.

Act V. Ono Sadakurō killing Yochibei, whom he had robbed.

Act VI. Okaru, who has sold herself to a house of pleasure in Kyōto, in order to procure money for Kampei's outfit, parting from her mother. E. 4875-'86.

Act VII. The discovery of the spy, Kudayu, beneath the floor of the Ichiriki tea-house.

Act VIII. Honzō on his journey. E. 4876-'86.

Act IX. (Lower portion) Honzō revealing himself to Oboshi and Tonase.

Act X. Yabui Yōchiku, a quack doctor, threatening to have his sister, the wife of Amakawa Gehei, divorced from the latter. E. 4877-'86.

Act XI. The discovery and death of Moronō in the coal-cellar.

Act XII. Kobayashi Heihachi fighting with one of the Rōnin. E. 4878-'86.

Scenes from the Drama "Chūshingura." 3-sheet.

(14 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

21355.

The Drama "Chūshingura"; the actors Ichikawa Omezō and Kosagawa Tsuneyo as Amagawaya Gihei and his wife Osono in the 10th scene.

(13 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 5 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4879-'86.

Danzō in the part of Sadakurō in the Drama "Chūshingura."

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4880-'86.

Publisher UYEMURA.

Actors representing Shidzuka (on the left) and Tadanobu, a fox-wizard, with (?) Benkei watching them.

(15 $\frac{1}{4}$ × 10 $\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4881-'86.

Actors representing Masaoka (left) and Yashio (right), who had killed her son.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4882-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Kawagoye Tarō Shigeyori and Kyō-no-Kimi in a scene from the life of Yoshitsune.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4883-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Actors representing Hanegawa Takakage standing over the knave Yatahei.

(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4884-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.



A NOBLE YOUTH, with female attendants, visiting a temple.
E. 4222-'97.

Actors representing Yayegaki and his betrothed Katsuyori. A 16th century Story.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4885-'86.

Publisher YEIJU.

Actors representing Ono-no-Otsu and Samanosuke Mitsutoshi (with the Kōto).

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4886-'86.

Actors representing Ohatsu and Tokubei, her paramour.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4887-'86.

Actors representing Akushichi-byōye Kagekiyo (right) fighting with Mio-no-yashirō Kunitoshi. 2-sheet.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 10$)

E. 4888-'86.

In the battle of Yashima (2nd month, 1185 A.D.), Kagekiyo pursued Kunitoshi and caught him by the back part of his helmet, which was torn.

Actors representing Tsurifune no Sabu fighting with Danshichi Kurobei. 2-sheet.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4889-'86.

Publisher TSURUYA.

Actor in the part of a woman with a pipe.

($15\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4890-'86.

Publisher IDZUICHI.

Head of an actor in the character of Soga no Gorō.

($14\frac{5}{8} \times 9\frac{5}{8}$)

E. 994-1914.

Yakusha Butai no Sugataye. Portraits of actors from life. Omiya.

($15\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 4891-'86.

Printer IDZUICHI.

Portraits of actors from life. Hamamuraya.

(15×10)

E. 4892-'86.

Portraits of actors from life. Takinoya.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4893-'86.

Printer IDZUICHI. Paper faced with mica.

Two actors.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4894-'86.

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Two actors.

($14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 4895-'86

Publisher TSUTAYA.

Portraits of actors in character. 2 of a set.

($11\frac{5}{8} \times 8$)

E. 4896, 4897-'86.

Scenes 1 and 3 in the Drama "Chiushingura," the Story of the
47 Rōnin. 2 of a set.

(9 × 12½)

E. 4917, 4918-'86.

Publisher YENOMOTO KICHIBEI. These prints are described as Ukiyé,
"perspective pictures."

MISCELLANEOUS SUBJECTS

A Dance, with scenery of the Tamagawa river.

(12½ × 8½)

E. 4898-'86.

The Ryogōku bridge at Yedo, in the cool of the evening. 5-sheet.

(15½ × 10½)

E. 4899-'86.

Publisher YAMAMOTO KIUBEI, at Yoshichō, Yedo.

Watching the fireworks from Ryogōku bridge on a summer evening.
6-sheet. PLATE IV.

(14½ × 9½)

E. 4900-'86.

Publisher YAMAKIU (*i.e.*, YAMAMOTO KIUBEI).

Rokugō Watashi-bune. Ferry on the river Rokugō. 3-sheet.

(14½ × 10½)

E. 4901-'86.

Women walking by the banks of a river.

(14½ × 10)

E. 4902-'86.

Publisher SENICHI. 1 of 3 or 5 sheets.

First dream in the New Year of an *Ukiyoye* painter. The Ship of
Good Fortune with the Seven Gods. *Frontispiece.*

(14½ × 10)

E. 4903-'86.

Publisher DAISHU. Perhaps intended for a portrait of the artist.

Interior of a house ; New Year's Day scene. 2-sheet.

(14½ × 9½)

E. 4229-'97.

Publisher YEIJU.

Kameido Temple.

(9½ × 14)

E. 4904-'86.

Publisher IDZUMIYA ICHIBEI.

A noble youth, with female attendants, visiting a temple. PLATE V.

(15½ × 10½)

E. 4222-'97.

Publisher YEIJU. 1 of 3 sheets.

Scenes of the Twelve Months. Third Month.—Women of the
Shinagawa shore watching the gathering of shell-fishes on the third
day, when the great ebb-tide occurs. 1 of a set of 12.

(13½ × 9½)

E. 4231-'97.

Publisher YEIJU.



PICNIC OF WOMEN on the Banks of the Sumida River. 21356.

- Procession of a noble represented by women ; in the distance is Mount Fuji. 5-sheet.
 $(14\frac{1}{2} \times 10)$ E. 2125-'99.
 Publisher HISHIWAKA.
- Natsuno Fuji Bijin Awase (The beauties of untimely season). 1 of a series.
 $(14\frac{3}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4})$ E. 4905-'86.
 Publisher SHIKABUN.
- Fujin Sawakagami. Occupations of women. Practising music and winding silk.
 $(14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{2})$ E. 4906-'86.
 The signature UTAMARO on this print is a forged addition.
- Two women bleaching cloth in the river Tamagawa ; with the flowers *Nuphar* and *Sagittaria* in bloom.
 $(14\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4})$ E. 1430-'98.
- Women washing garments at a stream. 3-sheet (1 missing).
 $(14\frac{1}{4} \times 10)$ E. 4907-'86.
 Publisher SEN ICHI.
- Women in snow. 3-sheet (? 2 missing).
 $(11\frac{5}{8} \times 8)$ E. 4908-'86.
- Yoshiwara woman with attendants at the time of full moon.
 (15×10) E. 4909-'86.
- Two women catching fire-flies near the Sumida river.
 $(15\frac{1}{8} \times 9\frac{7}{8})$ E. 1429-'98.
- Picnic of women on the banks of the Sumida river in the time of cherry-blossom. 3-sheet. PLATE VI.
 $(15\frac{3}{8} \times 10\frac{1}{4})$ 21356.
 Publisher YEIJUDO.
- A young lady standing on a wine-cask in order to bind her poem to the branch of a cherry-tree. PLATE VII.
 $(14\frac{5}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4})$ E. 1431-'98.
 Publisher IDZUICHI, Yedo.
- Shin Yoshiwara sakura-no-Keishoku. Viewing the cherry-blossoms in the Shin Yoshiwara. 5-sheet.
 $(14\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{3}{4})$ E. 4228-'97.
 Publisher YAMAMOTO at Yedo.
- Yoshitsune sembon sakura. The Story of Yoshitsune and the 1,000 cherry-blossoms. 3-sheet.
 $(14\frac{3}{8} \times 9\frac{3}{4})$ E. 4910-'86.
- Scene in the Story of Yoshitsune and Benkei. 3-sheet.
 $(14\frac{3}{8} \times 10)$ E. 4911-'86.
- Sukeroku : a knight in the Yoshiwara.
 $(14\frac{3}{4} \times 10)$ E. 4912-'86.

Genji Kōnodzu. An illustration to the Story of Prince Genji.

(10 × 7½)

E. 4913-'86.

Tomoye fighting with Wadai Yoshimori. 3-sheet.

(14⅔ × 10)

E. 4914-'86.

Yehon Imayō Sugata. Illustrations of Modern Society. 24 colour prints in album.

(8 × 11). Kiowa 2 (A.D. 1802).

E. 4314-4337-'97.

1. A lady of the Imperial Court in a garden.
2. The Shogun's consort and her servants engaged in various occupations.
3. A "Chūrō" (a favourite of the Shogun), privately entertaining herself with a dance by a little girl.
4. Servants at Bakufu (the Shogun's Court) in a private apartment.
5. Peasant woman resting.
6. A young noble lady passing the front of a tooth-pick shop.
7. A place for light archery ("Yūkyō"), kept by girls.
8. Interior of a rich merchant's house. A woman toilet-vendor showing combs to ladies.
9. A lady with her baby visiting her mother-in-law.
10. Scene in servants' quarters.
11. Scene in servants' quarters.
12. Two women (Geisha?) coming out of a public bath, looking at an employment agency office, where the old woman (agent) is engaging a woman as a servant.
13. Scene in Yoshiwara; a woman going to meet a guest.
14. Scene in Yoshiwara; private apartments of women.
15. Scene in Yoshiwara; Niwaka (comic play) by a group of Geisha, dressed in male costumes.
16. Scene in Yoshiwara; the mistress of the house in her chamber.
17. Courtesans in show-room trying a divination. The old woman is hawking through the streets, toilet articles (paper, powder, hairbinder, joss-stick and tooth dyer).
18. Geisha walking with Yoshiwara women.
19. Women at their meals.
20. A group of women looking through holes on shōji (which they made with tongue and fingers) at Geisha's play.
21. Women in their private room. One of them showing to the other a tattoo mark of her lover's name on her arm.
22. Women at their toilets.
23. Women walking in the streets.
24. Women in a boat.

Toshidama-fude. Sketches, in the style of Hokusai's *Mangwa*.

Cuts, col. (9 × 6) Nagoya.

E. 11796-'86.

—Another edition, in black only.

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E. 11798, 11799-'86.



A YOUNG LADY binding her poem to the branch of a cherry-tree.
E. 1431-'98.

FAN DESIGNS

Men and women travelling in a State barge.

Colour print. ($8\frac{1}{8} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$)

E. 2422-1912.

Two women seated, feeding silkworms.

Drawing in colours. ($5\frac{7}{8} \times 17\frac{3}{4}$)

E. 1168-1912.

SURIMONO

Gaku. Ichikawa Danjiurō acting.

($8\frac{1}{4} \times 11$)

E. 163-'98.

Gaku were votive offerings to a temple.

Kane of Ōmi, a heroine of the 13th century, stopping a runaway horse.

($7\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{8}$)

E. 4915-'86.

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